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On 5 July 1952, the Flak Kaserne on Luebschestrass, Wismar (E 54/T 49), was occupied by about 1,500 troops who belonged to an infantry unit, artillery unit and a technical unit. A radar set with ears stood in the south-western corner of the installation. Three radio stations, each with four masts, stood in the vicinity of the billeting area.

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An exercise held from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the area west of the barracks installation involved 600 troops, 15 x 76.2-mm field guns, 6 x 82-mm mortars and 16 light machine guns.

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The exercise was opened by infantry troops taking up positions with machine guns and mortars fronting the barracks installation. After about an hour, 15 field guns moved out of the barracks installation and took up open firing positions at the barracks installation opposite the infantry troops who were 300 to 400 meters away. After the guns were unlimbered, the motor vehicles drove back to the installation. When fire was opened against the infantry troops, these troops withdrew to the rear under light rifle fire. The exercise was abruptly terminated after about 30 minutes and the troops walked to an assembly point. An officers' briefing was held on Highway 105 west of the barracks installation, whereupon the infantry troops again took up position in the area of Kleinwoltersdorf. The artillery made a gun displacement forward and the exercise proceeded as was observed before. *

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* Comment. The present and the last report of 1 June 1952 tend to indicate that the barracks installation quarters a smaller number of troops than during the preceding months. This is possibly due to the fact that the 288th Gds Rifle Regt of the 94th Gds Itz Rifle Div, which is stationed there, in addition to the 199th Gds Gun Arty Regt, is more heavily engaged induty along the zonal border.

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